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FOR: MULTILAYER SOLE FOR SPORT SHOES

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AMENDMENT

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IN THE CLAIMS

23. (Amended) Sole according to claim 1, wherein said ground-contact layer (7B) is formed from skids mounted externally on said [rib] intermediate layer (9) in recesses (20) provided in the [latter] intermediate layer for that purpose.

26. (Amended) Sole according to claim 1, wherein said rigid intermediate layer[, or rib](9) [can] is adapted to allow mechanical attachment of an insert cooperating with an